

A Family Home Renewed



Exterior after

Looking to better understand the subtle influence of environment, Camilla Hentschl, a Swedish former journalist, joined a feng shui course taught by Michael Warden in Stockholm. Subsequently, she and her husband invited Michael to help with a complete remodeling of their house.

The most obvious problem was the house had no front door, and access was via narrow path leading to the rear of the house. Such an arrangement makes it difficult for a house to catch the natural 'chi' of the surrounding landscape, so that was an early priority for change. Further, a telegraph pole in the street outside created a potential disturbance to the flow of chi at the new front door, so the door was hung in such a way as to shield the entrance from that disturbance.



Exterior before changes

With a brief and a budget to really do some serious work, many other changes were also recommended. A huge rock blocking the natural flow of chi to the house was dynamited. Landscaping was altered both front and rear. A back door catching very unfavourable influences was turned 90 degrees by the addition of a rear porch. A carefully located and designed new workspace was created for Camilla. Bed positions were changed. Doors were re-hung. Even some internal partitions were moved.

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Central hallway after changes

With structural considerations taken care of, even décor colours were carefully assessed to balance the natural energies of the place. In particular, the whole central area of the house was to be given maximum light, and painted pure white.



Central hallway before changes

When the house was finished, it was unrecognisable. For sure it *looked* strikingly different – but more to the point, the way it *felt* was unrecognisable, and almost everybody who visited commented on the fact. The effects of that energetic change were quickly felt on a practical level too. Both Camilla and her husband slept better. Their son's excema improved dramatically. Camilla's friends commented on remarkable opening up of her personality. The beautiful book she went on to produce, chronicling the project and the changes to the family's life (*Feng Shui for Hem Och Tradgard*), sold well throughout Sweden and other career related activities also developed strongly.

A comprehensive renewal on many levels!

